

THE WEATHER

Fair Tonight and Wednesday.

TONOPAH DAILY BONANZA

METAL QUOTATIONS

Silver	\$1.03 1/2
Copper	24 1/2
Lead	10 1/2-10 7/8
Quicksilver	\$115 @ \$120

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TONOPAH, NEVADA, TUESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 18, 1917

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Iron Trades Council Willing to Submit Differences to Arbitration

GOVERNOR OF TEXAS REPLIES TO CHARGES

(By Associated Press.)
ANSTIN, Tex., Sept. 18.—Sixteen of the twenty-one charges brought against him before the senate high court of impeachment were covered yesterday in testimony given by Gov. James E. Ferguson when he took the stand in his own defense. His counsel, W. A. Hangar, took up the charges in order until he came to the eleventh charge, which alleges that the chief executive's failure to tell where he received \$154,500 in currency loans this year constitutes official misconduct. That was passed over for the time being.

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Your communication has been given careful consideration and this association has unanimously decided your demand cannot be allowed.

Furthermore, we have been advised that a vote, taken on September 17, shows that a majority of the mine and mill employees are in favor of accepting the operators' proposition.

Very truly yours,
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GIANT GERMAN PLANE TRAPPED BY BELGIAN

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—How Adjutant Maurice Medacts of the Belgian Flying Corps tricked a monster German two-man aeroplane into a fight at an altitude of 20,000 feet, riddled it with machine gun fire and sent it crashing to earth behind the Belgian lines, killing the pilot and observer, was told in a message to the Belgian legation.

Medacts, in a swift Neuport, was cruising above Dixmude on September 11, when he saw a German machine with two men trying to escape gunfire and gave chase, but could not overtake his enemy.

"Finding that the German either would not fight or was endeavoring to lead him into a trap," the legation's statement says, "the Belgian decided to try a ruse. Medacts started slowly toward the Belgian trenches at an altitude of 20,000 feet. He saw the German turn and follow him. Keeping above his adversary, Medacts continued to watch him until they were over Dixmude, then, turning quickly, opened fire with his machine gun. He could see that the German observer, severely wounded, had sunk down in his seat and that the German machine was evidently out of control.

"The Belgian machine was approaching the enemy at such a rate of speed that Medacts had only time to fire a few shots pointblank and to make a perilous loop to avoid a collision, before the German plane, riddled by bullets, crashed down within the Belgian lines.

"The German aeroplane was found to be an enormous 'rumpler' of the latest model, put in to service at Johannisthal on August 8, propelled by a 200 horsepower Mercedes motor and armed with two machine guns."

Belgians may Regain Lands

HOLLAND EDITOR HEARS REPORT WHICH IS AScribed TO BRITAIN.

(By Associated Press.)
AMSTERDAM, Sept. 18.—In connection with the published report that Germany had decided to abandon all claims to Belgium, the Koelischzeitung says: "We, too, have received similar information, from which it may be concluded that last week's decision about Belgium was reached in conformity with English views."

HAIG'S ARMIES ARE HAMMERING AWAY

ALL QUIET ALTHOUGH THOUSANDS OF TONS OF METAL HOURLY.

(By Associated Press.)
WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM, Sept. 18.—There must always be periods of "comparative" quiet, when big spectacular offensives are lacking on the great fighting fronts. The recent days have constituted one of these periods along the British lines in the eastern theater and to the outside world, reading the commander-in-chief's laconic "there is nothing of importance to report," or abrief account of seemingly inconsequential raids, it may appear that hostilities virtually have ceased.

But this conclusion is far from right, for the grim business of war continues perpetually. Hourly the big British guns hurl their thousands of tons of metal, carrying death and destruction into the German forces; day and night great squadrons of aviators guide the machines over the German lines and dump their cargoes of high explosives on important positions, and continually small bodies of British infantry are reaching out into the German trenches and snatching back prisoners after playing havoc with bombs, the dugouts and mortars emplacements.

Of course, there is retaliation by the enemy, but the advantage rests with the Entente allies in this constant hammering process. It is the steady dropping of water which is wearing away the stone.

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GOVERNMENT TAKES IMMEDIATE STEPS TO CHECK DISAFFECTION

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18.—W. R. Burton, president of the Iron Trades Council, declared that the employees are willing to have the government pass judgment on the fairness of the strikers' demands.

"If our cause is unjust, this army of workers would not be on the streets today," Burton declared.

Marines patrolling the iron works refused to allow anyone to approach the gates unless armed with a pass. There was no violence today.

Further spread of the strike to other industries is declared imminent. A hundred women at the American Can Company's plant were forced to quit, due to the mechanics' on a reduced schedule. Boyce called a conference between the employers and employees as soon as he was named federal mediator.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—Secretary Wilson has telegraphed W. T. Boyce, assistant commissioner of immigration at San Francisco, to tender his services as conciliator in settlement of the iron workers' and shipbuilders' strike.

Boyce was instructed to advise the department of labor promptly concerning developments. Extension of the strike to mills producing lumber strike. Many plants are operating

for government ships is feared. It is reported at Portland and Astoria that striking carpenters are trying to persuade other workmen to walk out and lumber mills may be affected. Shipping board officials favor a substantial wage increase, with a sliding scale for government participation depending on the profits of shipbuilding.

Chairman Hurley of the shipping board has appealed to Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, to stop Pacific coast troubles. Gompers, Hurley and Secretary Daniels conferred. Gompers will see the president today.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18.—Two companies of United States marines are guarding the plant of the Union Iron Works, the largest concern involved in the strike. Federal authorities have closed all saloons within half a mile of the plant.

NO PROFITEERING ON U. S. CONTRACTS

BUSINESS MEN EXPRESS THEIR DESIRE TO HELP GOVERNMENT WITHOUT REWARD.

(By Associated Press.)
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 18.—American business has no intention of profiting at the expense of the government in the sale of war supplies, according to R. G. Rhett, Charleston, S. C. president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, who opened the war convention of American business and industrial leaders. "The great body of business men have invariably stood behind the government in plans and proposals," declared Mr. Rhett.

GIRL BABY BRIGHTENS HOME OF THE GILFOYLES

James J. Degan of the Tonopah Extension force is walking around looking quite cheery today over news of the arrival of an 8 1/2-pound girl at the St. Helena sanitarium, California, where the mother, Mrs. Joseph M. Gilfoyle is resting. This makes Mr. Degan a granddaddy and he is as proud of the newly acquired honor as the father who wired the boys of Tonopah to have one on him in honor of the event. Mrs. Gilfoyle will be remembered as Miss Anita Degan, one of the leading members of the choir of St. Patrick's church.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—William A. Miller, the unaccounted for member of the naval gun crew of the American tanker Campana, is in a German prison camp at Brandenburg with four other gunners.

BUTLER THEATRE

TO-NIGHT

SESSUE HAYAKAWA

in "THE BOTTLE IMP"

A Lasky Production

Latest Release Hearst-Pathé News

Tomorrow: BLANCHE SWEET and THEODORE ROBERTS in "UNPROTECTED"

Admission 10c and 15c. Matinee 1:30—Night 7 and 8:30

RUSSIANS RECOVER ON RIGA FRONT

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, Sept. 18.—Russian forces on the Riga front continue to progress in their drive against the Germans. They occupied a German position southwest of Hapsal and forced the Teutons from Sadzen farm.

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, Sept. 18.—Rumanian forces have occupied a section of the Austro-German fortified positions, in the region of Varnitza.

(By Associated Press.)
ROME, Sept. 18.—(British Admiralty, via Wireless).—A Petrograd dispatch to the Messenger says that a great fire has broken out in the military factories at the Putiloff works. The damage amounts to several million dollars.

ENGINEER SLEEPS AND KILLS SEVEN

JURY BRINGS IN A VERDICT OF MANSLAUGHTER AGAINST CULPRIT.

(By Associated Press.)
AURORA, Ill., Sept. 18.—A. C. Carlson, engineer on a Burlington freight train which killed seven when it crashed into a stock train at Sarville, Ill., admitted to E. R. Norton, coroner of Kane county, that he was asleep at the time of the accident. He had been sick for several days and dropped asleep on his run ten miles before reaching Sarville, he declared in a statement to the coroner. The Kane county grand jury brought in a report, holding Carlson responsible for the accident. Carlson will be charged with manslaughter, according to State's Attorney Wiley.

MARRIED IN WEST VIRGINIA.

Cards have been received announcing the marriage of Jo Claire Hendrickson, who formerly taught school at Lone, to Harry Archibald Phillips at Grafton, W. Va.

BOMB FROM ALLIED AIRPLANE KILLS 900

(By Associated Press.)
AMSTERDAM, Sept. 18.—In a recent raid by Entente allied airmen on the Belgian town of Reuters, according to a Holland newspaper, a bomb fell on a building near a market, which killed or wounded 900 Germans.

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